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RULES, ORDERS and Directions
made and Established by Us the Lord
Lieutenant and Council, for the better Re-
gulating the Corporation of the City of
Dublin, and the Electing of Magistrates
and Officers there.

ESSAY.



WHEREAS in and by one Act of
Parliament, lately made in this
Kingdom; Entituled, An Act for
the Explaining of some doubts arising
upon An Act; Entituld, An Act,
for the better Execution of His Ma-
jesties Gracious Declaration for the Settlement of
His Kingdom of *Ireland*, and Satisfaction of the se-

veral interests of Adventurers, Souldiers, and other His Subjects there; And for making some alterations of, and additions unto the said Act, for the more speedy and effectual Settlement of the said Kingdom.

IT is amongst other things therein contained, Enacted, That it shall, and may be lawful to, and for the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor, or Governors, and Council of *Ireland* for the time-being, from time to time, and at all times to come, during the space of Seven years, to be accounted from the Nine and twentieth day of *September*, One thousand six hundred sixty five, to make and establish such Rules, Orders, and Directions, for the better regulating of all Cities, Walled Towns, and Corporations, both New and Old, and such as shall be created within this Kingdom, and the Electing of Magistrates and Officers there, and to inflict such penalties for the breach thereof, as they in their wisdoms shall think fit, so as the penalties for breach of the Rules, Orders, and Directions to be made, touching such Corporations, do not extend farther than to the Removal and Disfranchisement of such Persons, as shall be found guilty of the breach thereof; and such Rules, Orders, and Directions, so to be made as aforesaid, shall be as good and effectual in Law, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been specially and particularly Established by Authority of this present Parliament, and shall remain, continue, and abide in force, for such and so long time, as in the said Rules, Orders, and Directions shall be limited and appointed, any thing in the said Act, or otherwise to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

VVE the Lord Lieutenant and Council, in pursuance of the said Act, and the Authority thereby given unto Us, have thought fit to make and Establish; And We do hereby Make and Establish the Rules, Orders, and Directions hereafter mentioned, for the better Regulating of the Corporation of the City of Dublin and the Electing of Magistrates and Officers there.

First, That upon all Elections to be hereafter made, of any person or persons to serve in any of the Offices of Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, or Town Clerk of the said Corporation, the names of the persons so Elected to serve in the said several Offices, shall be by the said Corporation within ten days after such Election presented to the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours, and the Privy Council of this Kingdom to be approved of by them, and that no persons so Elected for any the said Offices, shall be for ever hereafter capable of serving in the said several Offices, or any of them, until they shall be respectively approved of by the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours, and Privy Council of this Kingdom by Order under their Hands; And in case the persons, or any of them, whose name shall be so presented to the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours and Council of this Kingdom, shall not be so approved of within Ten dayes after their names shall be so presented, then and in such case the said

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Corporation shall from time to time proceed to a new Election of fit persons for the said respective Offices, for which the persons so presented, shall not be so approved of, and shall in like manner present their names to the said Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours, and Privy Council of this Kingdom, untill they shall have chosen such persons for the said respective Offices, as shall be so approved of as aforesaid. And that the Election of the Lord Mayor Sheriffs & Treasurer of the said city of Dublin shall be for ever hereafter only by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the said city, there being always eight Aldermen at the least present at the time of such election, and that no other person or persons whatsoever, shall at any time hereafter have any vote in the election of the said Officers or any of them.

Secondly, That the Treasurer, Sheriffs, and all other Receivers of any part of the Revenues of the said city from time to time hereafter yearly within six moneths next after the expiration of one whole year wherein they shall serve in the Execution of their respective Offices, shall render unto the Auditors of the said city or usual Quorum of them appointed, or to be appointed for that purpose a true and perfect accompt of all moneys (being any part of the Revenues of the said city) received by them within that year wherein they shall serve in the execution of their said
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respective Offices, and shall also pay unto the treasurer of the said city for the time being such moneys as shall appear upon such account to be due from them respectively, upon pain of being disfranchised by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the said city, for the time being, or usual Quorum, of them who are hereby Authorized and required from time to time to disfranchise such persons so respectibly neglecting to account and pay as aforesaid. And in case the said Lord Mayor and Aldermen shall neglect to disfranchise such persons, then the said persons so neglecting to accompt and pay as aforesaid to be disfranchised by the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours and Council of this Kingdom, and to be from thence forth incapable without their licence of being restored to their Freedoms; and also liberty is hereby given to take such further course against such persons as shall be agreeable to the Lawes of this Kingdom, and to the Lawes, Charters, customs, and constitutions of the said city:

Thirdly, That no person or persons, that shall hereafter be Elected, either Lord Mayor, Recorder, Sheriffs, Treasurer, Aldermen, Town-Clerk, or of the Common council of the said city, or Master, or Wardens of any of the Corporations or Guilds, within the said Citie, shall be capable of holding, enjoying or exercising any the said Offices, places or employments, until he or they shall have taken the oath of Supremacy, Established by Act of Parliament 2do Elizabethæ in this Kingdom, and the

Oath of Allegiance, besides the Oaths usually taken upon the admission of any persons into the said Respective Offices, places, or Employments. And also this ensuing Oath, viz. I *A. B.* do Declare and Believe, That it is not lawful, upon any pretence whatsoever, to take Arms against the KING; And that I do abhor that Trayterous Position of taking Arms by His Authority against His Person, or against those that are Commissioned by him. So help me GOD. The said Oaths to be taken, before such person or persons as shall admit them to the said several Offices, places, and employments (who are hereby impowred authorized and required to administer to them the said Oaths) and upon any such person or persons refusal to take the said Oaths, The Election of such person or persons into any the said Offices, places, or employments, is hereby declared to be absolutely null and void (such persons onely excepted, with whole taking the said Oath of Supremacy, the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governour or Governours of this Kingdom for the time being shall think fit, by writing under his or their hand by Name to dispence.

Fourthly, Whereas the common council of the said city doth consist of A Lord Mayor & twenty four Aldermen, who have usually sate together in one Room a part by themselves, and also of such who are commonly called Sheriffs Peers, not exceeding forty eight persons and of ninety six other persons who are elected into the said
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common-council, out of severall of the Guilds or Corporations of this City, and who have usually sate together in one Room apart by themselves, and have been usually called the Commons of the said City, amongst whom the Sheriffs of the said City for the time being, do preside.

And whereas We conceive it would tend to the benefit and advantage of the said City, if such persons who are chosen into the said Common-council, out of the severall Guilds or Corporations of this City, should be changed, and new Elections made of them once in every three years, by which change a greater number of the Citizens of the said City, might come into the said places, and be Entrusted with the management of the affairs of the said City.

We do hereby Order, Establish and declare, that the Common-council of the said City, shall for ever hereafter consist of the said Lord Mayor, and Twenty four Aldermen, who or any eight, or more of the said Aldermen, with the Lord Mayor, shall continue still to sit apart by themselves; And also of the Sheriffs of the said City for the time being, who are to preside amongst the rest of the Common-council of the said City, as hath been formerly accustomed, and also of such who are commonly called Sheriffs-Peers, not exceeding 48 persons within the said City, and of Twenty six or other persons to be chosen out of the severall Guilds or Corporations of the said City, from
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which they have been formerly chosen, which
 said persons to be chosen out of the said several
 Guilds or Corporations, shall enjoy their said
 places of Common-council men, onely for
 three years from the time of their Elections.
 And to that end We do hereby Order and Esta-
 blish, that the several Guilds or Corporati-
 ons of this City, out of which any persons
 are now usually chosen to be of the Common-
 council of the said City, sometime within the
 month of November next ensuing, and so from
 time to time within every month of November,
 which shall for ever hereafter be at the end of
 every three years from the end of the Month of
 November next ensuing the date hereof, shall
 Elect and Nominate double the number of per-
 sons usually chosen out of each such Guild or
 Corporation into the common-council of this
 city, and by the Masters and Wardens of
 each such Guild or corporation, shall some-
 time within such month of November, present
 the names of the said persons so Elected, to the
 Lord Mayor of this city for the time being,
 who is hereby authorized and required in the
 presence of one of the Sheriffs, and eight of
 the Aldermen, before the Twenty fourth day
 of December then next ensuing, to Elect out of
 the persons whose names shall be so presented,
 the number of persons usually serving in the
 common-council of the said city, for each such
 Guild or corporation respectively, which said
 persons so Presented and Elected, shall be by
 vertue of that Election for three years then
 next ensuing, and no longer of the number of
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the Commons, or Common-council of the said City, and in case any of the said persons so presented or Elected as aforesaid, shall happen to dye, or for any lawfull cause to be removed during the said three years, then and in such case, the Guild or corporation out of which such person so dying or removed was Elected, shall forthwith present two other persons to the Lord Mayor of this city for the time being, out of whom the Lord Mayor in the presence of one of the Sheriffs, and eight of the Aldermen shall choose one who shall serve in the common-council of the said city, during the remainder of the three years, for which such person so dying, or removed should have served therein. And that all and every the persons of the aforesaid Corporations and Guilds so to be nominated, presented and elected before the Twenty fourth day of December next, and so from three years to three years as aforesaid, or in the place of any person so dying as aforesaid; together with the said Sheriffs-Peers, or the greater number of them that shall be from time to time assembled (so as there be alwayes forty or more of them present) be and they onely are hereby authorized from and after the Twenty fourth day of December next, to Sit, Vote, and Act in the General Quarter and other Assemblies as the commons of the said city. And in case any of the said Guilds or corporations of the said city, shall neglect or refuse within the times herein above limited, to Elect and Nominate the persons above mentioned, or that the Master and

Wardens of any of the said Guilds or Corporations shall fail to return the names of the persons by them to be presented as fit persons to be of the Common-council of the said City, in such manner, and at such times as herein is above limited and appointed, or that any of the persons so Nominated, Presented or Elected, shall refuse to serve as Members of the said Commons or Common-council; That then and in such case the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the said City, or usual Quorum of them, are thereupon authorized and required sometime between the last day of November, and the Twenty fourth of December next ensuing, and also sometime after the last day of November, and before the Twenty fourth day of December, which shall be at the end of every three years after the Twenty fourth day of December next, to Elect out of the Corporations or Guilds so failing, such number of persons as have been accustomed to serve for such Guild or Corporation in the Common-council of the said City; And that such persons so Elected by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen in manner as aforesaid, be and are hereby appointed to be of the number of the said Commons, or Common-council of the said City for three years next ensuing such Election, all the said persons so Elected to be of the Common-council of the said City, first taking the Oaths hereby appointed to be administered unto them, which Oaths the Lord Mayor of the said City for the time being, is hereby authorized and required to administer unto them. And that no other person

person or persons from & after the said Twenty fourth day of December next, be of the Commons of the said City, besides the Sheriffs of the said City for the time being, who are still to preside amongst the said Commons, and the said Sheriffs Peers, and the said Twenty six persons from the said several Corporations so to be presented and Elected before the Twenty fourth day of December next, and so from three years to three years as aforesaid, or in the place of any person so dying or removed as aforesaid. And the said persons in their default so to be Elected by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen as aforesaid, who only are from time to time after the Twenty fourth day of December next, to be the Commons of the said City in such manner and form as aforesaid; And if any person pretending himself to be one of the Commons of the said City shall after the Twenty fourth day of December next, presume to Sit and Vote as a commoner, before he shall be Elected in manner and form aforesaid, he shall thereupon immediately be disfranchised by the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the said city, or the usual Quorum of them.

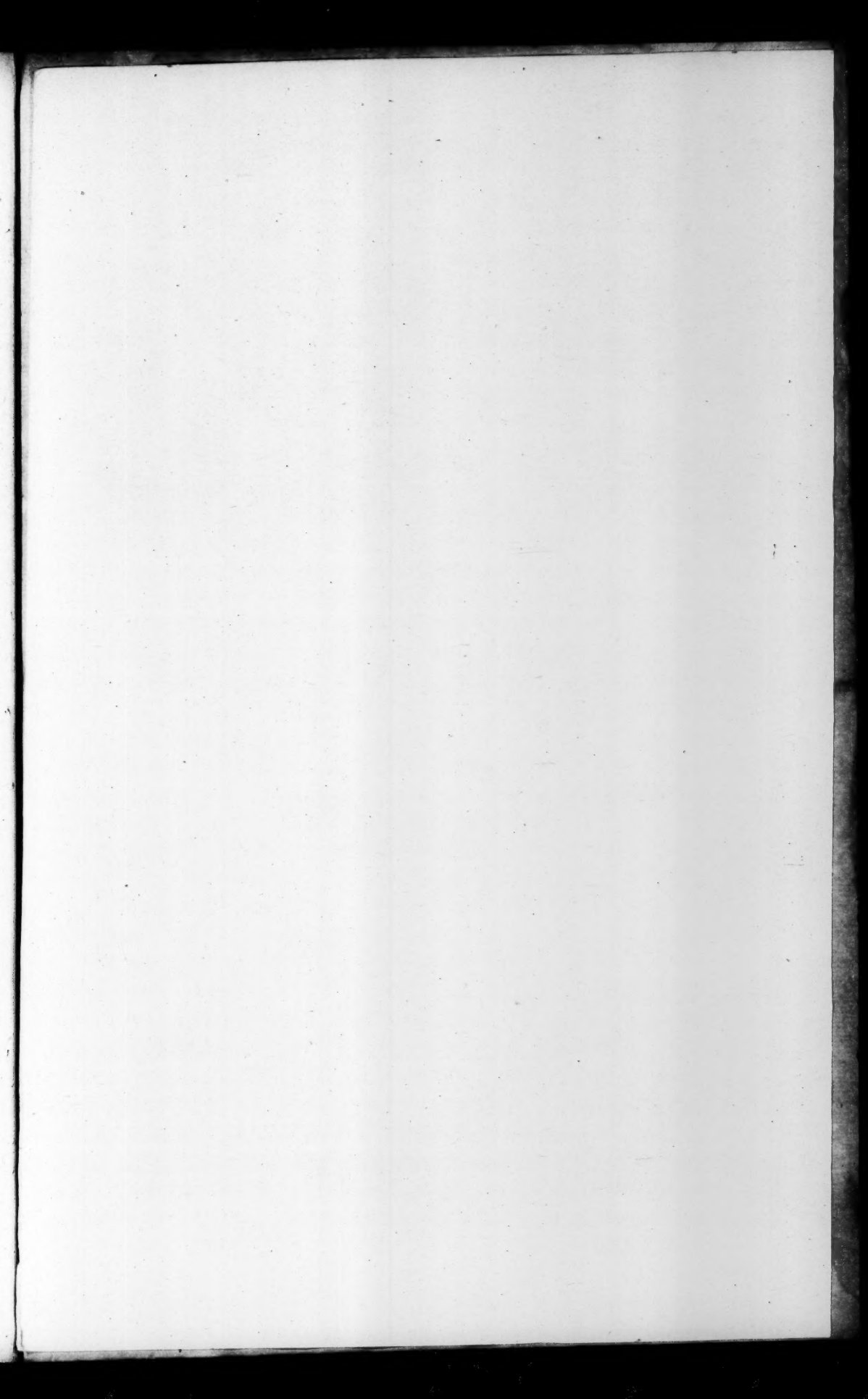
Provided that this Rule shall not debarr, or hinder the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and common-council of this city, from exercising the power that they have formerly used of altering or changing the numbers of any common-council men usually serving for any corporation, and of distributing the same amongst any other Corporations, that now are or hereafter shall be in this city, so as the whole number of persons to be chosen out of all the

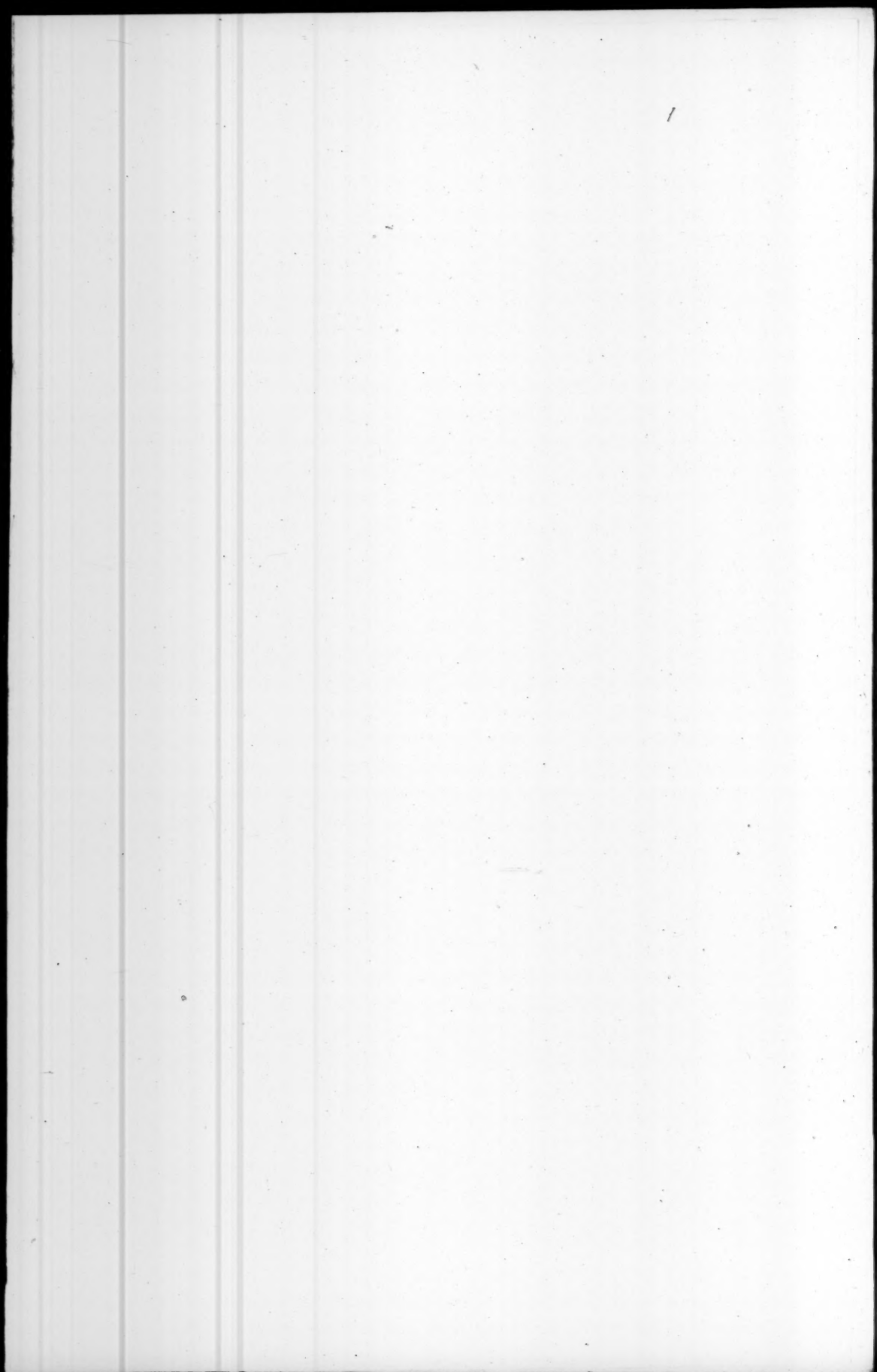
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said corporation, do not exceed the said number of Fifty six persons, and so as all the said persons be presented and Elected in such manner, and at such times as is herein abobe mentioned.

Fifthly, That all Foreigners, Strangers, and Aliens, as well others as Protestants, who are or shall be Merchants, Traders, Artizans, Artificers, Seamen, or otherwise skilled and exercised in any Mystery, Craft, or Trade, or in the working or making any manufacture, or in the Art of Navigation, who are at present residing and inhabiting within the said city of Dublin, or who shall at any time hereafter come into the said City with intent and resolution there to inhabit, reside, and dwell, shall upon his or their reasonable suit or request made, and upon payment down, or tender of Twenty shillings by way of Fine, unto the Lord Mayor, or and Common-council; or other persons authorized to admit, & make Freemen in the said City, be admitted a Freeman of the said City, And if he or they shall desire it, of all or any Guild, Brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship of any Trade, Craft, or other mystery within the same during his or their residence for the most part, and his and their Families constant inhabiting within this Kingdom and no longer; and shall have, exercise, and enjoy all privileges and immunities of Trading, Working Buying, and Selling, in as large and ample manner as any Freeman of the said City, might have, exercise or enjoy by vertue of his or their Freedom: And that





that every such person or persons, who shall be admitted to be free as aforesaid, shall from thenceforth be deemed, esteemed, and taken, and be Denizen and Denizens within this Kingdom, any Law Statute, Charter, Usage, or Custome of this Kingdom, or of the said City, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding. Provided alwayes, That all such Strangers, Artificers, and others, to be admitted Freemen as aforesaid, shall take the Oath of Allegiance to our Sovereign Lord the King, his Heirs and Successors, and also such other Oaths as are accustomedly taken by all or any Freemen, or members of the said City, or by all or any the members of any such Guild, or Brotherhood; Society, or Fellowship of the Trade, Craft, or other mystery, which he or they shall occupy, or exercise, in case he or they shall desire to be incorporated into any such Guild, Brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship aforesaid, and shall pay all such and like Charges, as all Freemen his Majesties subjects, of the like Trade, Craft, or mystery, shall or do use to pay, and no other or more; And that if the Lord Mayor and Common-council or other persons authorized as aforesaid, within the said City, or any Master, Warden, or other Governour of any Brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship; or any Trade, Craft, or mystery within the said City, shall refuse to admit any such Stranger, being a Merchant, Trader, Artificer, Artizan, Workman or Seaman, residing or coming into this Kingdom, with intent as aforesaid, to be a Freeman of

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the said city, or to be a Brother or member of any brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship within the same, all such persons so refusing to admit such Strangers as aforesaid, shall upon complaint and due proof made, of such refusal, before the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours, and Council of this Kingdom, be by their Order Disfranchised, and from thenceforth incapable without their Licence) of being a Freeman or member of the said City, And every such Stranger being a Merchant, Trader, Artificer, Artizan, Workman or Seaman, upon tender by him made of Twenty shillings, by way of Fine as aforesaid, and taking the Oath of Allegiance before any Justice of Peace, of the County of Dublin (who is hereby authorized and appointed to administer the said Oath) shall thereupon by vertue hereof, be deemed, reputed, and taken to all intents and purposes to be a Freeman or member of the said City, & of the Brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship of any Trade, Craft, or mystery, where he or they shall be denied admission as aforesaid; And from thenceforth have, exercise, and enjoy the liberty and privilege of Trading, Working, Buying or Selling of any commodities whatsoever, in as large and ample manner, as if he had been admitted a Freeman of the said City, a Brother or member of such Brotherhood, Society, or Fellowship of any Trade, Craft, or mystery within the same, taking the usual Oaths of such Freeman, Brothers or members, which Oaths any one Justice of Peace of the said county of Dublin shall have



have power to administer, and paying all such charges as aforesaid, any Law, Custome, Charter or Usage, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding: And in case any person or persons shall give any interruption or disturbance to any such Stranger, being a Merchant, Trader, Artificer, Artizan, Workman, or Seaman as aforesaid, to the hindring him in his Trading, Working, Buying or Selling aforesaid, contrary to the intent and meaning hereof, all and every such person and persons so offending, shall upon like complaint and proof made of his or their offence therein, before the Lord Lieutenant, or other chief Governour or Governours and Council of this Kingdom for the time being, be by their Order disfranchised, and from thenceforth incapable without their Licence of being a Freeman or member of the said City.

And these Our Rules, Orders, & directions, We do hereby Order and Establish for ever hereafter, to continue in force within the said city of Dublin, and within the Corporations thereof.

And that the same be forthwith inrolled in the Rolls of His Majesties High-court of Chancery in this Kingdom.

Given at the Council-Chamber in *Dublin*, the Four and Twentieth day of *September*, 1672.

Ja. Armachanus. Mich. Dublin *Canc.* Conway
& Kilulta. Massereene. Hen. Midenfis. Fran.
Aungier. Art. Forbese. Jo. Byffe. Will. Stewart.
Fra. Hamilton. H. Ingoldesby. Theo. Jones.
A. Chichester. Char. Meredyth.

GOD save the King.